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ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER		DATE	April 21, 2021
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DOCKET NO.	2020-218-E
UTILITIES MATTER	<b>✓</b>	ORDER NO.	

## **SUBJECT:**

<u>DOCKET NO. 2020-218-E</u> - Alex Kadoshnikov, Complainant/Petitioner v. Duke Energy <u>Carolinas, LLC, Defendant/Respondent</u> - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration the Effect of Res Judicata on this Complaint Matter and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Motion to Compel and Request to Hold Testimony Deadline and Hearing in Abeyance.

## **COMMISSION ACTION:**

I move that the Commission grant the Motion to Compel with regard to Duke Energy Carolinas' first discovery requests, and hold in abeyance a ruling on whether to compel answers to the second discovery requests at this time. With regard to the first discovery requests, the response by the Complainant related to invoking the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution is not valid, since the information requested by Duke cannot lead to criminal liability on the part of the Complainant. The Complainant will have fifteen (15) days from the date of the Order in this matter to respond to the First Duke Discovery Requests under my Motion. I further move that if the Complainant does not furnish the information requested in the first discovery requests, that the Commission consider dismissal of the Complainant and/or additional relief. It is duly noted that the Company has stated that the Complainant has until April 26 to respond to the Company's second set of discovery requests. Therefore I believe that it is premature for the Commission to rule on any Motion to Compel related to these requests.

I also move that the Commission stay any further pre-filing dates for testimony and exhibits, and the hearing date, until further notice of the Commission.

PRESIDING:	J. Williams	<u>S</u>		SESSION: <u>F</u>	<u>Regular</u>	TIME: 11:00 a.m
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POWERS	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			Present in H	earing Room
THOMAS		<b>✓</b>			Voting via W	/ebex
C. WILLIAMS		<b>✓</b>			Voting via W	/ebex

J. WILLIAMS		<b>✓</b>		
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Present in Hearing Room

RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

